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Interview Summary	Application No. 09/241,636	Applicant(s) HEATH ET AL.
	Examiner JEANINE A. GOLDBERG	Art Unit 1634

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) JEANINE A. GOLDBERG.

(3) Dr. Dirk Loeffert.

(2) Susan McBee.

(4) Dr. Nicole Uschkarath.

Date of Interview: 7/20/09.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 63.

Identification of prior art discussed: Deggerdal, Shieh, Harvey and Rudi.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The amendment filed 7/17/09 was discussed. The examiner noted the use of consists and consist essentially of. The use of consists essentially of is broadly interpreted as comprising. Dr. Dirk Loeffert explained it was unexpected that a RNA digesting enzyme and a detergent would be expected to be compatible in the same lysing reagent. The examiner encouraged applicant to file a declaration providing objective reasons supporting the position.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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/Jeanine A Goldberg/
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